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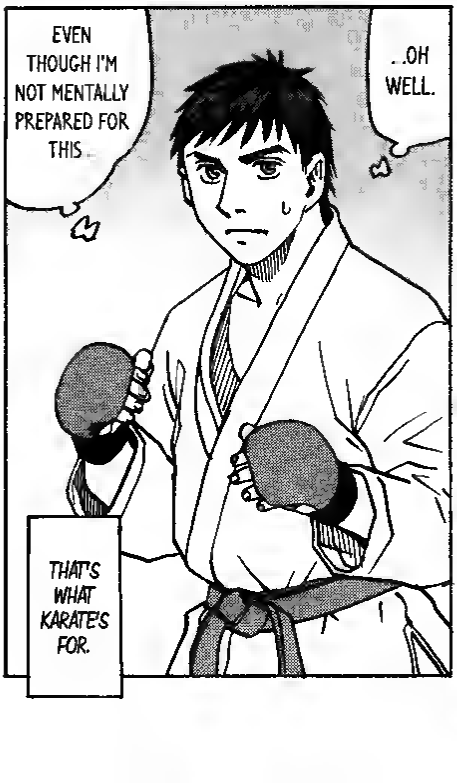
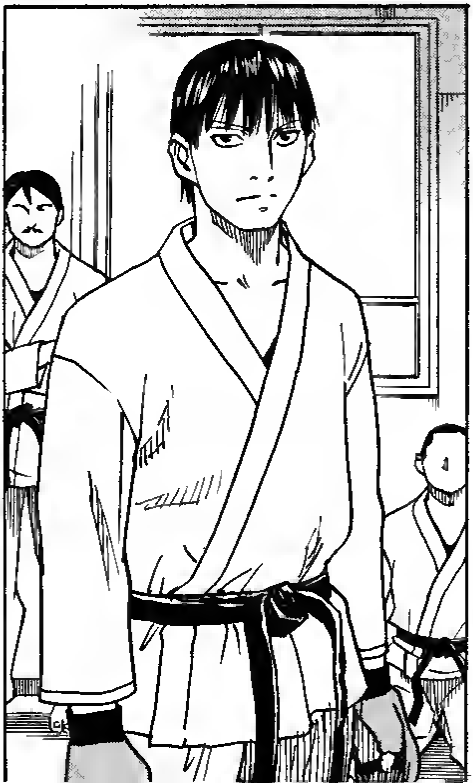
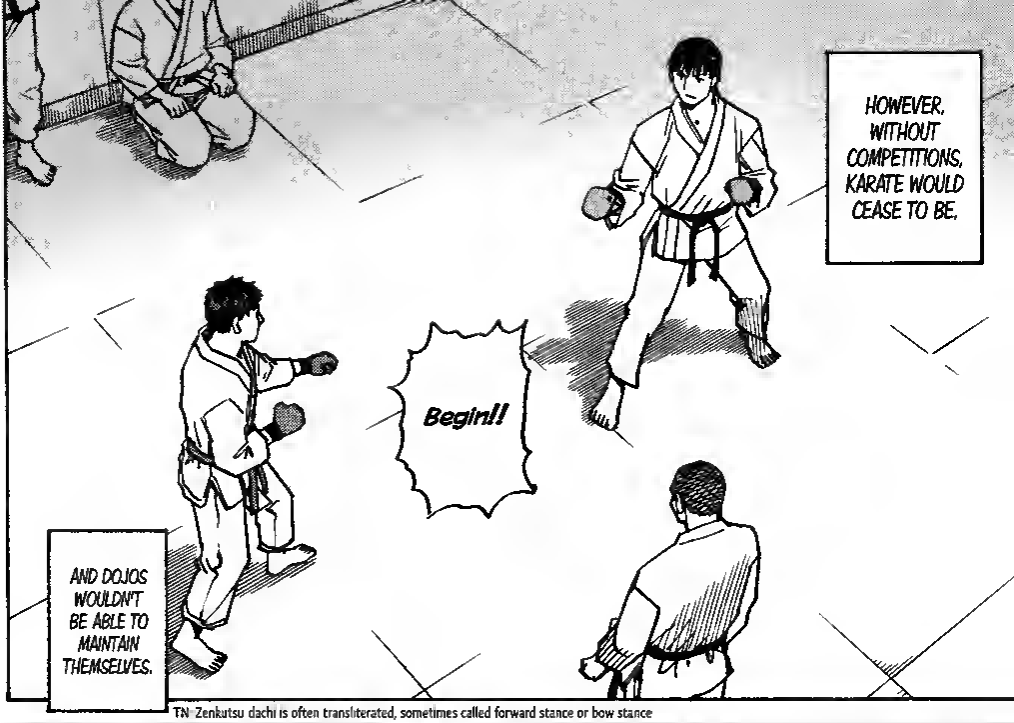
Chapter 115 Final 'Kumite'

THEN, THIS IS A 4-MINUTE SPAR WITH 1-MINUTE INTERVALS.
IT'S NOT A MATCH SO DON'T WORRY ABOUT POINTS.


EVEN THOUGH I'M NOT MENTALLY PREPARED FOR THIS...
...OH WELL.
THAT'S WHAT KARATE'S FOR.

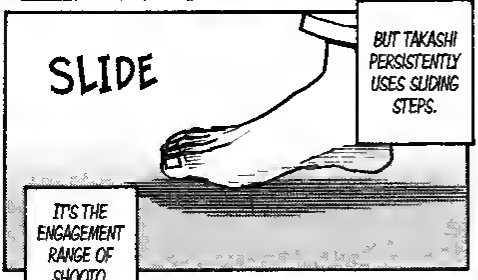


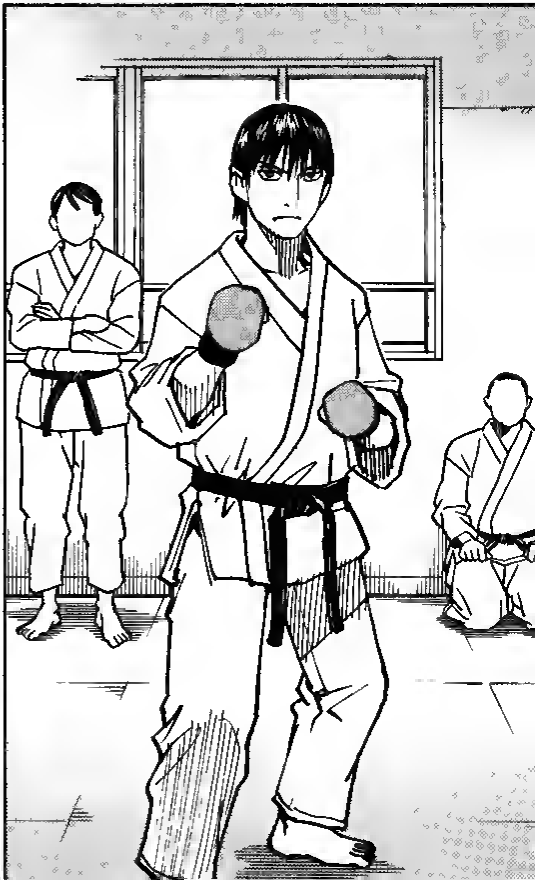
ORIGINALLY, IT HAD WEAPONS, EYE-GOUGES, AND OTHER VITAL STRIKES AS A MARTIAL ART.
BUT AFTER THERE WAS A GREAT FUSS TO MAKE RULES FOR SAFE COMPETITION,
AS A MARTIAL ART, IT WAS HANDED DOWN FROM CHINA THROUGH OKINAWA
FURTHERMORE, IT BECAME COMPETITIVE AS IT GREW THROUGHOUT JAPAN.
IT SPLIT INTO TWO MAIN RULESETS, "NO-CONTACT TRADITIONAL" AND "NO-FACE FULL-CONTACT".
HOWEVER, "THE CLOSER IT IS TO SPORTS, THE FURTHER IT IS FROM THE ESSENCE OF KARATE."
IS WHAT TAKASHI'S GRANDFATHER WOULD SAY

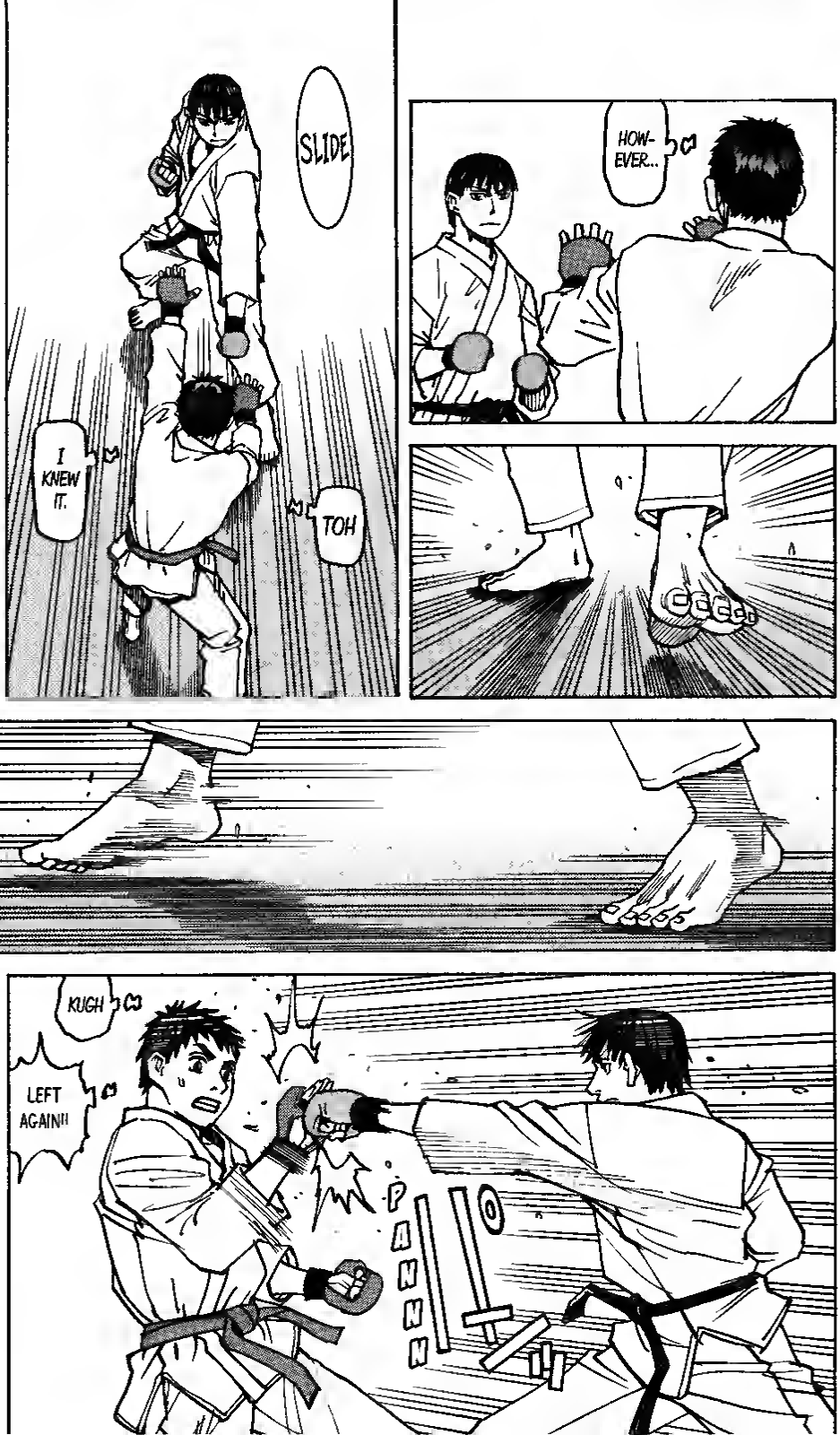


TN: Zenkutsu dachi is often transliterated, sometimes called forward stance or bow stance

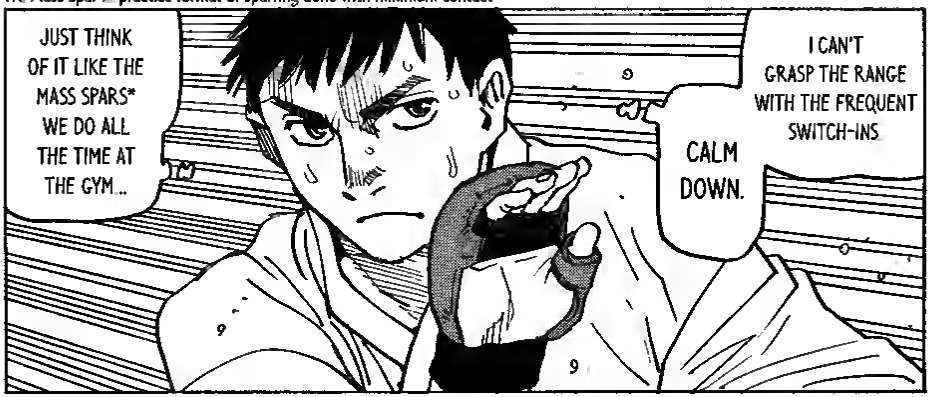
TN: Sundome or no-contact, is pulling strikes just before they land.






SLIDE
I KNEW IT.
TOH
HOW-EVER...
GGGG
GGGGG
KUGH
LEFT AGAIN!!
PANNN

TN: Mass Spar ... practice format of sparring done with minimum contact


JUST THINK OF IT LIKE THE MASS SPARS* WE DO ALL THE TIME AT THE GYM...
CALM DOWN.
I CAN'T GRASP THE RANGE WITH THE FREQUENT SWITCH-INS
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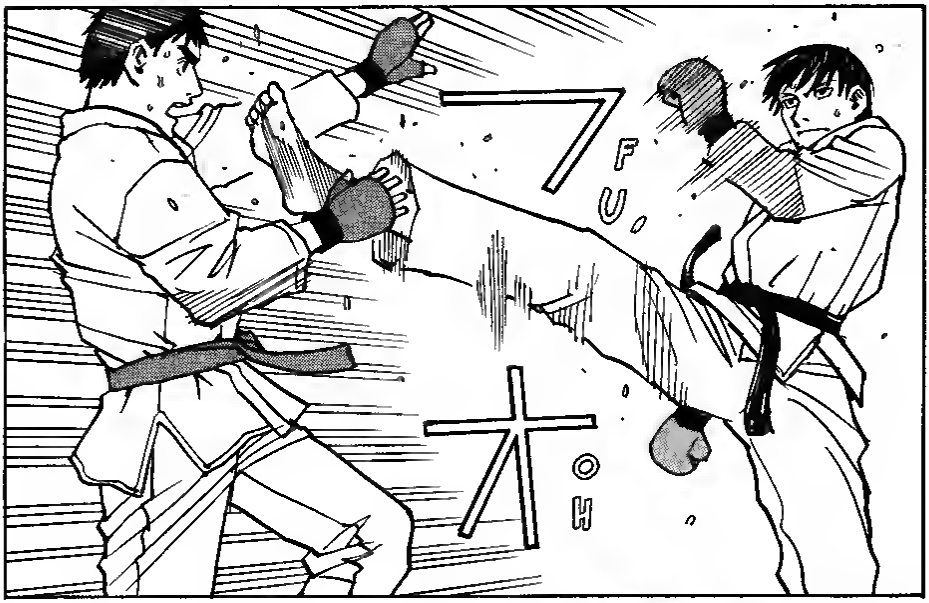

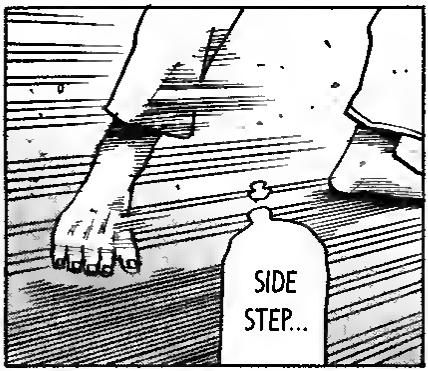

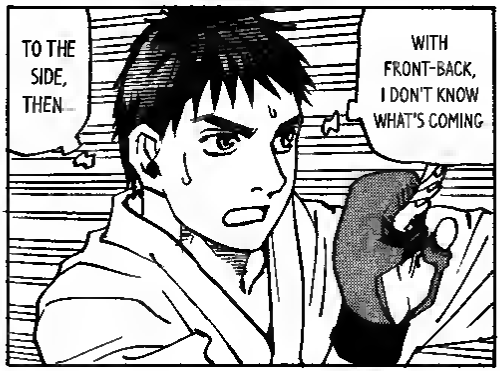

BAMMM
CHIH
HE STOPPED MY SIDE MOVE-MENTS
WITH A ROUNDHOUSE KICK
WILL HE PUNCH...!?
LEFT... NO, RIGHT!?

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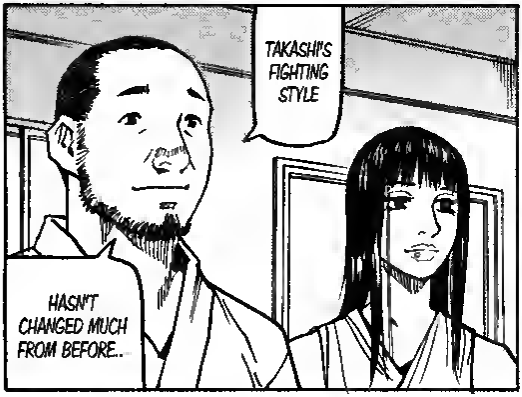
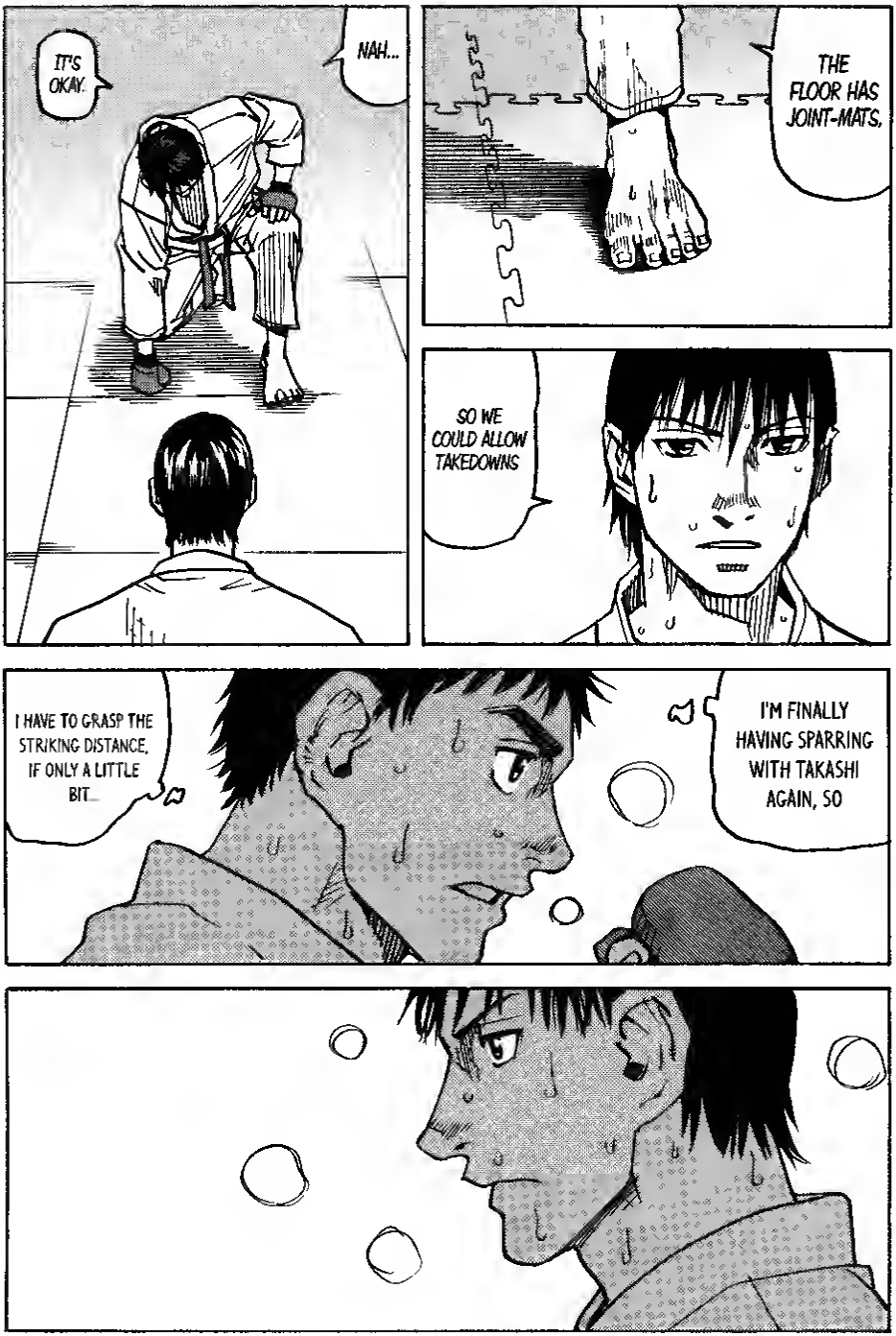
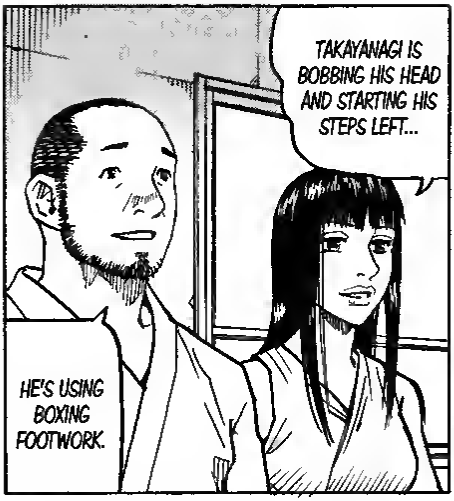
DOH


TAKASHI'S FIGHTING STYLE
HASN'T CHANGED MUCH FROM BEFORE..

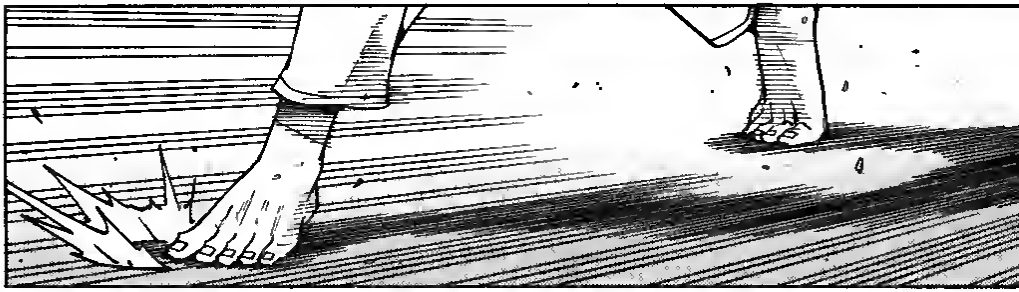
BUT IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING
THAT HIS SPEED AND POWER ARE ON A DIFFERENT LEVEL NOW

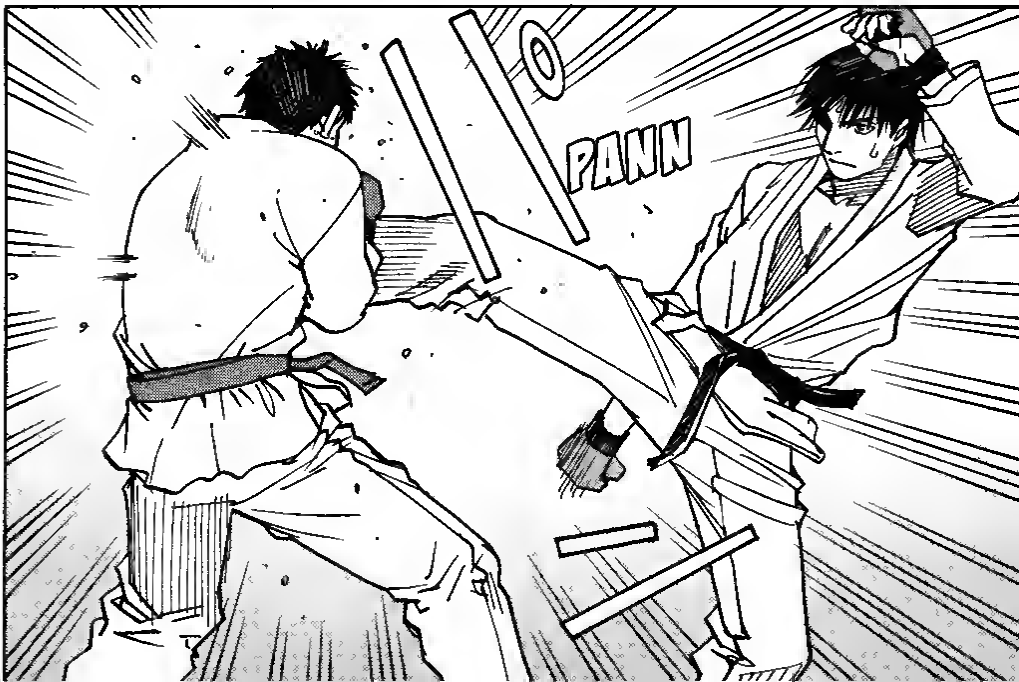
WHOA— HEY!
He went low!?
How's that no-contact, it was full-on!!


IT'S OKAY.
NAH...
THE FLOOR HAS JOINT-MATS.
SO WE COULD ALLOW TAKEDOWNS
I HAVE TO GRASP THE STRIKING DISTANCE, IF ONLY A LITTLE BIT...
I'M FINALLY HAVING SPARRING WITH TAKASHI AGAIN, SO


TAKAYANAGI IS BOBBING HIS HEAD AND STARTING HIS STEPS LEFT...
HE'S USING BOXING FOOTWORK.

TOH




PANN

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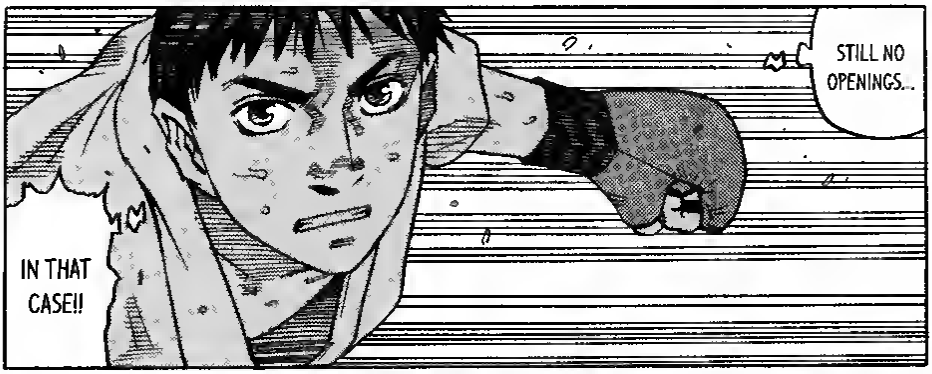
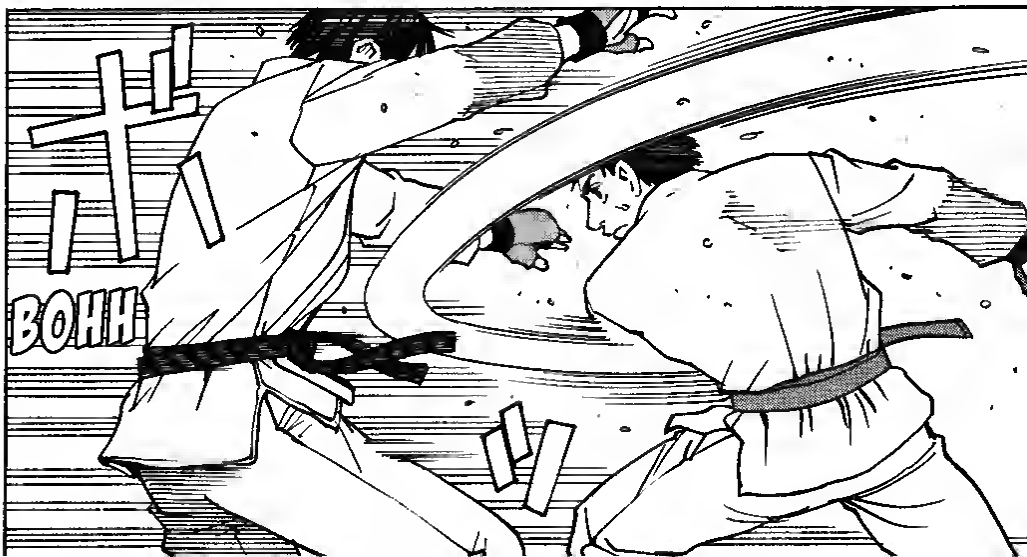
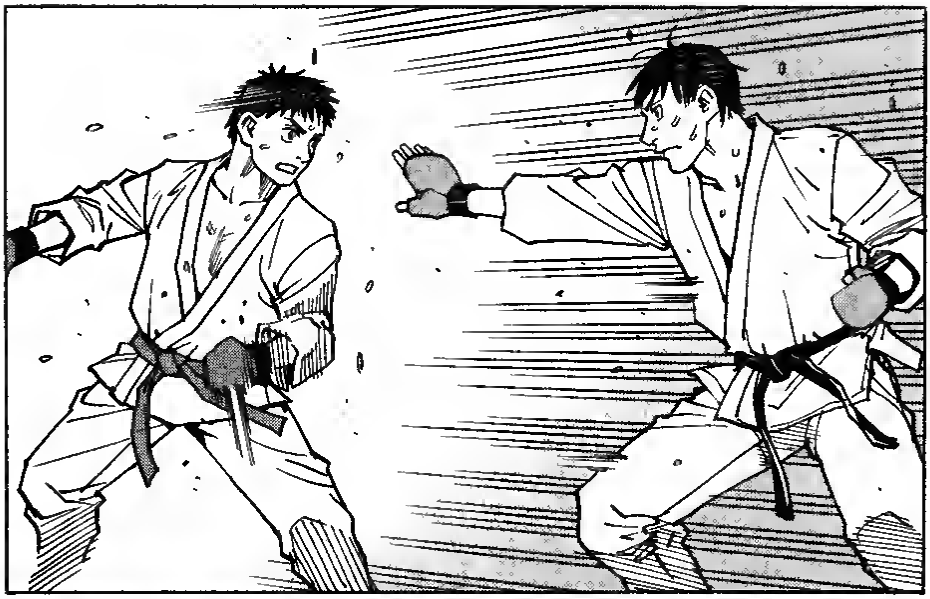
BAMMM


STILL NO OPENINGS...
IN THAT CASE!!


BOHH



TAKASHI ATTACKED WITH PRIMARILY KICKS,
AND MEGURU RESPONDED TO THAT.

WAHA HAHA HA!
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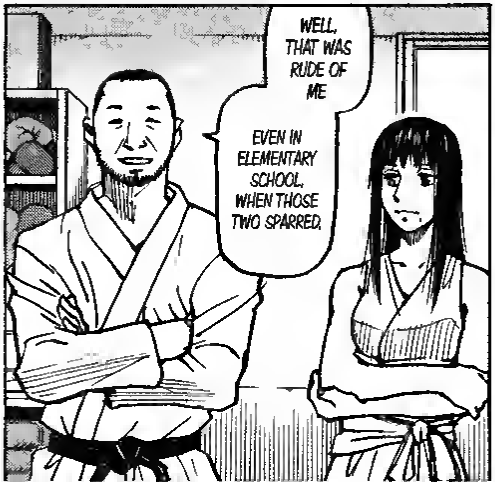
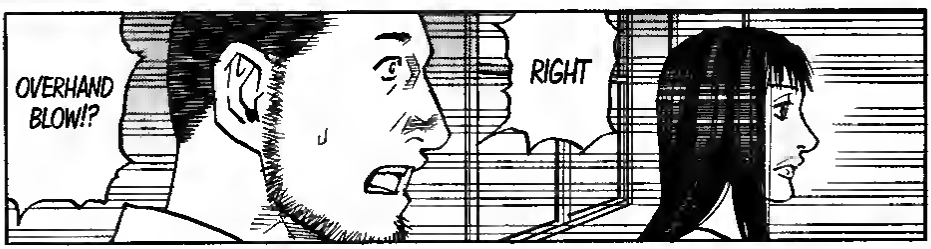
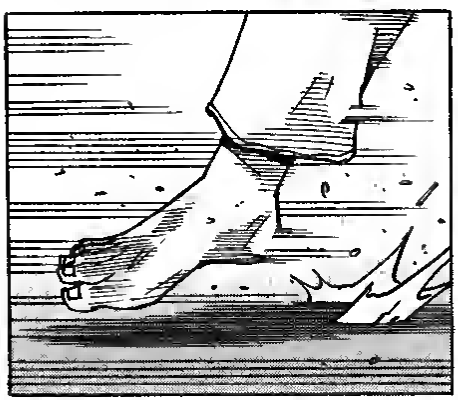

WELL, THAT WAS RUDE OF ME
EVEN IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, WHEN THOSE TWO SPARRED,

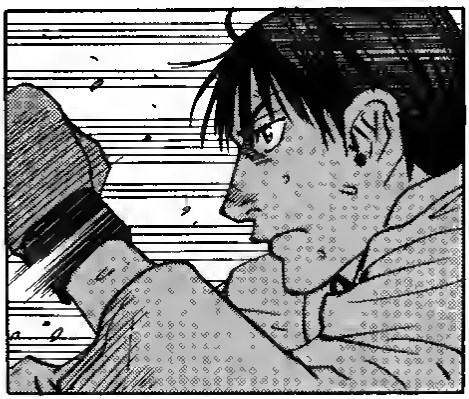
OF COURSE, AT THAT TIME, THOSE TWO
WERE AT A LOWER LEVEL,
BUT SOMETIMES, MEGURU
WOULD DO SOMETHING UNEXPECTED..
COMING IN WITH AN ADVANCING MID-SECTION PUNCH,
FORCING HIM BACK
BUT LOOK THERE..
MEGURU IS CONSTRAINING TAKASHI'S KICKS WITH LEG TRIPS,
READING THE TIMING OF THE PUNCH...
AND THEN, TAKASHI,

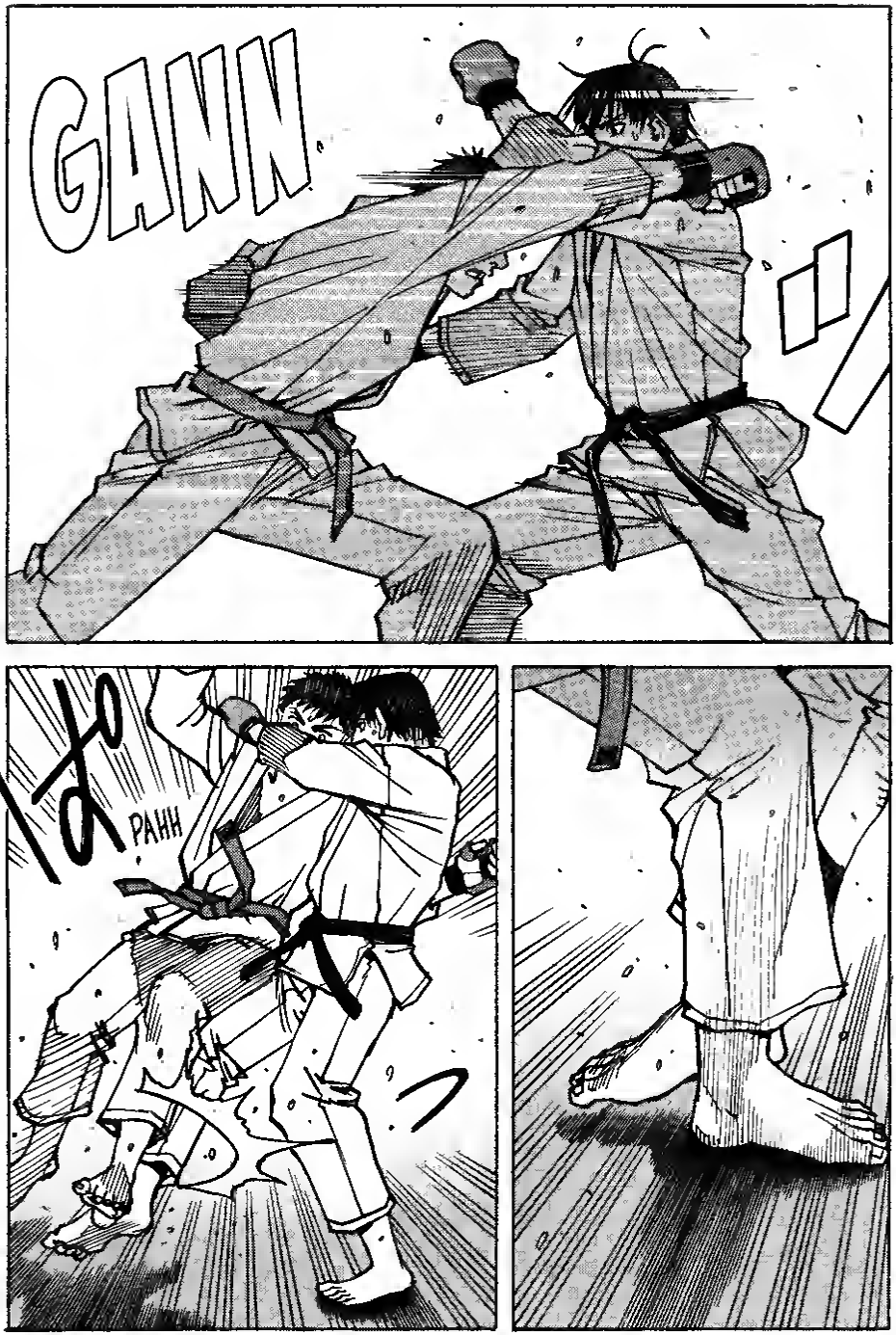
BAM
RE-SPONDS WITH A KICK.
THAT YOU STOP THEM?
THOSE TWO HAVE REALLY GROWN.
IT'S REALLY WONDER-FUL!
ISN'T IT
ABOUT TIME

LET'S GIVE IT A SHOT...
THAT MOVE I CRIBBED FROM MURO!...
I'LL BE SHOWING MY HAND, BUT...
FUOH
OR NEVER...
IT'S NOW,
HE STEPPED BACK!!

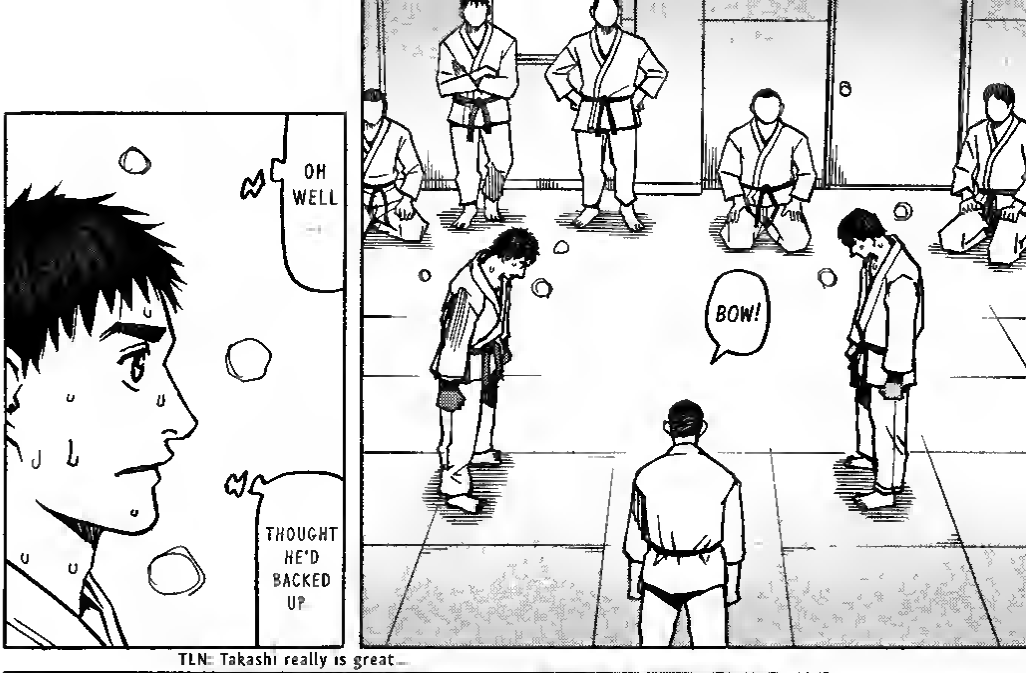

OVERHAND BLOW!?
RIGHT






GANN
PAHH

GAHH
!!
GUH
STOP!!
BAHNN
THAT'S ENOUGH !!
NO...
DID YOU HIT YOUR HEAD?

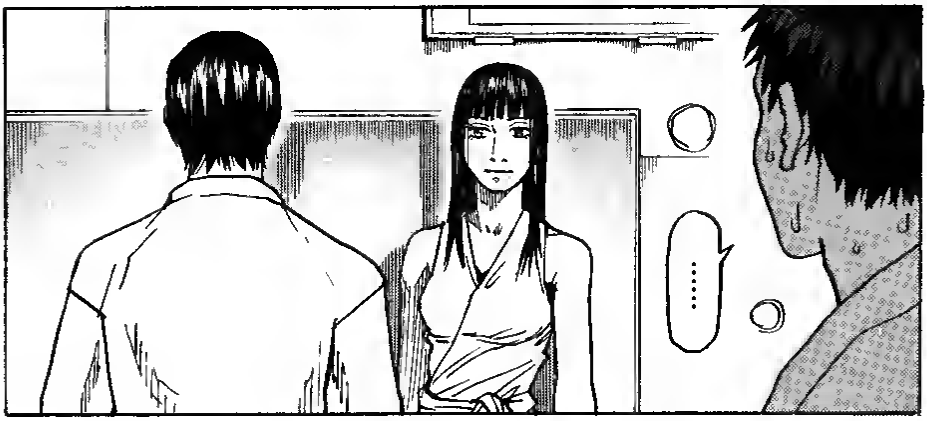


TLN: Takashi really is great...

IS THAT STRIKING METHOD VALID IN A KARATE MATCH?
IT'S A LARGE MOTION AND HITTING HEADGEAR AT A FUNNY ANGLE CAN BREAK YOUR WRIST.
WELL, KARATE IS A BODY USAGE METHOD. BUT THAT'S A DIFFERENT STRIKING METHOD.

THOSE TWO.
THEY'RE ALREADY MIXED MARTIAL ARTISTS...

IT WASN'T REALLY A KARATE SPARRING TO BEGIN WITH.
FREE SPARRING IS FINE.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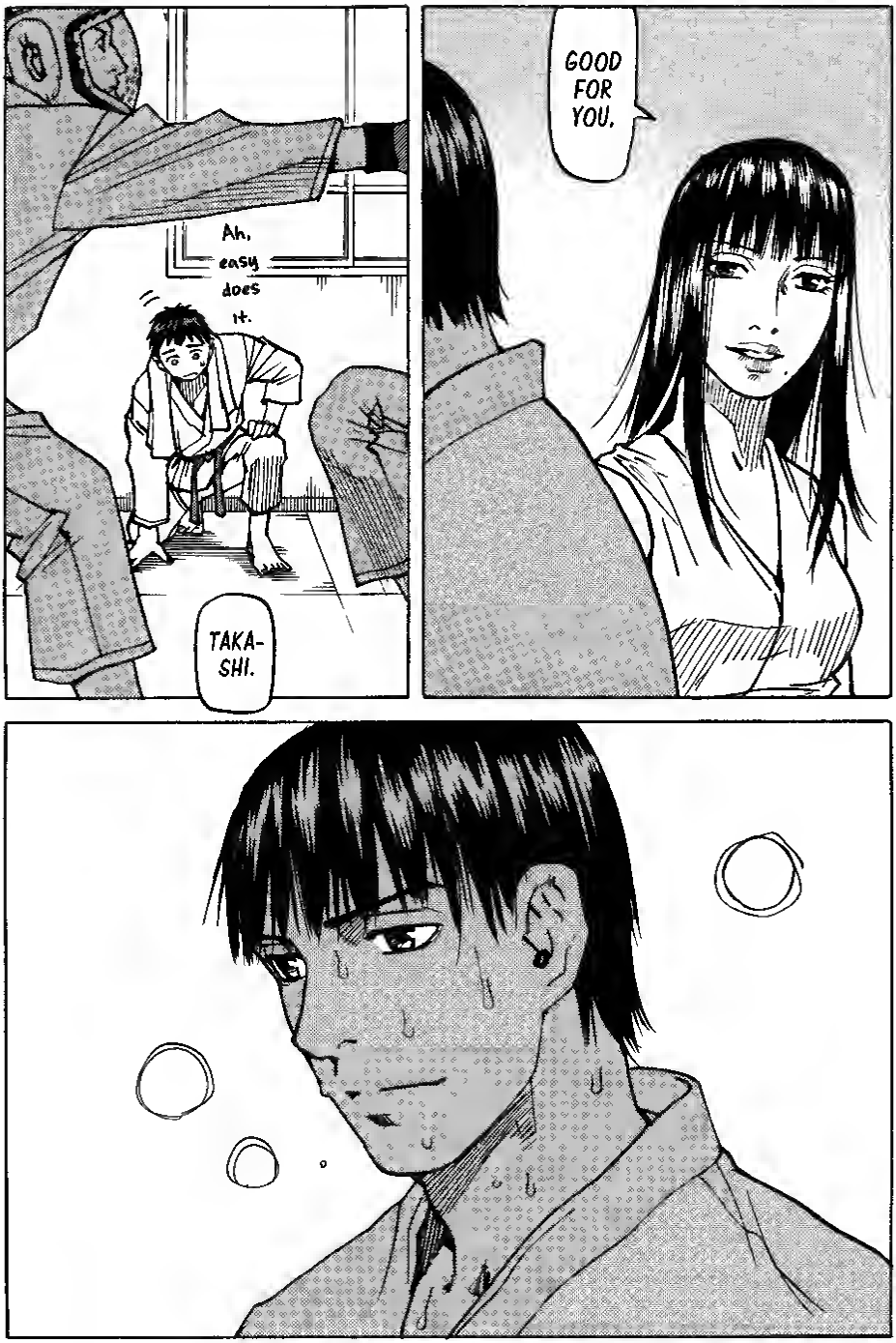
Ah, easy does it.
TAKA-SHI.
GOOD FOR YOU.

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